

REMARKS

The claims were rejected as obvious under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over JACOBSON in view of SAEKI and CHAPPELL.

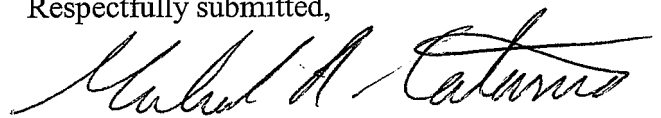
The claims have been amended to further define the invention, particularly the mass features of the components, support for which is found at paragraph [0094]. Additionally, claims 11 and 21 have been amended to include the limitation concerning the weight members disposed within cavities, support for which is found at paragraph [0080].

JACOBSON, owned by the assignee of the Present Application, is silent as to plating. SAEKI teaches coating a thin chromate film a club head composed of steel with three layers of different nickel plating. The chromate film is applied by immersing the nickel plated club head in a bath of a specific chromate solution and subjecting it to a voltage of five volts for 30 seconds. SAEKI is silent as to the mass features of the club head and the plating. CHAPPELL is also silent as to the mass features. Thus, it is believed that the invention of the Amended Claims is allowable over the prior art.

It is believed that the remaining claims are now allowable. The Applicants therefore respectfully solicit a Notice of Allowance.

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